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LANE CLOSURE ON NORTH MARKET STREET BRIDGE BEGINS MONDAY

REDDING - The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) will begin drilling operations on the North Market Street Bridge to investigate subsurface bedrock possible scour, or erosion. The southbound outside lane (number 2 lane) will be closed from October 20 – 30, 2008 between the hours of 8 a.m. and 6 p.m. Drilling operations may resume the week of November 1, 2008 if necessary.

The daytime closure is necessary for the safety of the traveling public and drilling operators. The drilling equipment is large and necessitates the closure for additional room, as well as drilling through the bridge deck. The drilling will gather bedrock samples which will be lab tested to determine the scourability of the bedrock at the bridge site. This information will be analyzed to determine any future work necessary at the structure.

For more information please contact the Public Information Office at 530-225-3260.

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